

**REMARKS**

Applicant respectfully requests that the above amendment be entered and that this case be reconsidered and allowed in view of the above amendment and the following remarks.

Applicant gratefully acknowledges the allowance of claims 1-7 and 7-17.

In response to the requirement to cancel claim 6, claim 6 has been canceled in the above amendment to the claims.

Applicants deny any statement, position or averment of the Examiner that is not specifically addressed by the foregoing argument and response. Any rejections and/or points of argument not addressed would appear to be moot in view of the presented remarks. However, the Applicants reserve the right to submit further arguments in support of the above stated position, should that become necessary. No arguments are waived and none of the Examiner's statements are conceded.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully requests favorable reconsideration and early passage to issue of the present application.

Applicant may be reached by telephone at the number given below.

Please charge any fee deficiencies and credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 14-1270.

Respectfully submitted,

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